

Miss Weston

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Park Street, May 22/1852  
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My dear Miss Weston

Mary says she will not delay  
any longer writing to you, tho' she is hardly  
fit for it, as she has been quite overworking  
herself lately, & is far from well, & I <sup>have</sup> ~~had~~ <sup>now</sup> ~~no~~  
pond writing for her, and ~~with this in view~~  
She tells me  
~~suggested~~ that I need not address a letter  
to you if she does so, <sup>but</sup> I cannot consent to  
being unrepresented in the next despatch  
from Park Street.

My last letter was, I believe, to Mr. Chapin  
from London, when I presume I de-  
tailed to him what was going forward in prepara-  
tion for a Meeting between Schley & Ellsworth.  
has: is solely demanded, I am oneak-  
ingly declined by the former. Whether you  
had the <sup>the</sup> original advocate giving a collection  
of the correspondence between the parties, I  
cannot remember, but I will send it to you;  
the letters are worth cutting out, & preserving



Scoble having again unceremoniously deserted the  
his colours, no further attempt has been  
made as to any meeting. Wells, however,  
now calling Scoble to account for a series  
of abominable efforts to damage his re-  
putation. While I was in London much of

any time was devoted to us analyzing their corres.  
pendence but when the Belgians came for Matthews  
was not equal to cope with Pichler & Mr. Munroe  
& the Kalmes were too busy to help him.

I regret that electioneering politics have brought Mr. Grant & Geo. Thompson into greater hostility. It is impossible for G. T. to enter upon an election contest without laboring under many decided advantages. The W. of Commerce is a full position for a man who ought to be devoting his time & talents to the support of his freedom & providence for the future. He said in a very interesting letter to Mr. Webb, that he wished he had never left the Anti-Slavery field. Such talents, & so many good qualities as he <sup>has</sup> ought to be employed for his own advantage as well as for that of others; & ~~Mr. Webb~~ <sup>Mr. Webb</sup> makes one view of any of his pursuits in life, which are interesting to himself, with allowance. Mr. Farmer thinks he will be returned for the T. Hamiltons, but doubts if his colleague who was to pay all expenses, is so secure?



Many of G. F.'s old friends & supporters have  
turned again & again. I do not believe therein  
any charge against them of really discreditable  
conduct, but plenty of small complaints.  
— one of the Mr. Lister was "leaving his place in  
Parliament to pick up a little money by lecturing  
in America."

I purpose going to London for the Whitsun week,  
& shall probably be at 22 Cecil Street, it is the house  
where Mr. Brown lodges. The Parkers leave on  
the Wednesday in that week, June 2<sup>nd</sup> — I wrote  
a long letter to Mrs. May last Friday: my own  
must be to "my friend" — I fear she will begin  
to suspect my fidelity? I have had to correspond  
with Mr. Quincy about his pamphlets. We have  
been consulting his & Mr. Webb's for advice.

Did you hear from visit to the Crafts? My brother  
in law Mr. Reynolds, Mrs. & Phoebe Parker spent  
a pleasant day with me at Oakham. Ellen was  
very poorly, & Miss Lushington visited me to such  
craft tells me that I, (as he said "was to be ex-  
pected") had cured her. They were very comfortable,  
the schools were being improved. I shall soon  
arrange for there being another year there: Mrs.  
Jolly says she thinks Lady Byron will assist  
in the expenses for next 6 years — Mr. Webb has  
sent us a nice letter from Mr. P. Pillsbury to  
them, much in reply to a notice in that R. Matthews.



This report entirely confirms our view of Eliot's  
honesty; - of his candour here, we want no  
testimony. Mr. P.'s letter is one that we could not  
venture to show friends, lest it might tend to  
strengthen the prevailing belief that he, & the  
"Am. Ch. S." were plotting to ensnare their liability  
of the American Church movement of Mr. P.'s  
slavery character, hence but little more tenderly  
to any Church. I have written a long letter  
to the Secy of the "Baptist Free Mission Board; showing  
the state of the A. C. S. movement, & explaining  
how & why Mr. M. receives but little useful  
help & sympathy from any but the Garrisonian  
Chrs. I have urged their keeping Mr. here, have  
spoken in high terms of him, & have shown the  
discretion in which he can usefully work. Mr. is  
now nearly clear of his difficulties, & his position  
affairs has become a valuable one to us, & will  
eventually do <sup>him</sup> good, tho' it has been a sore  
trial to poor E. M. Mr. Garrison's line of sym-  
pathy with Mr. M. in the A. C. S. "Lib." was kind,  
& judicious, & calculated to be useful in various  
ways. The forthcoming document of the "Ladies A. C. S."  
S. S. "Conf. Report" which Mr. & Miss T. are working in  
force, will be a page of history, a "Right & Wrong"  
in England. I fear the influence of Dr. Campbell's  
articles will be more mischievous than you  
suppose. Thousands will read the erroneous  
attacks on W. L. G. & believe them, who will never be  
them contradicted. Probably Mr. Garrison never  
had so many persons in opposition to him in Eng-  
land.



2<sup>nd</sup>) as at the present moment. There is certainly a  
slowly increasing number of true hearted & intelligent  
Abolitionists who are becoming well educated in the last  
question; but it will be long before they will be able  
to do much in stemming the stream. I cannot but  
think that H. C. Harris, in reading the British  
"Statements" will be a little alarmed to see what  
the sharp & knowing persons are watching him, &  
<sup>ready</sup> disposed to expose his mis-statements.

We are circulating "Uncle Tom's Cabin"; - it will be  
useful here. Mrs. May sent us the Boston edit<sup>n</sup>. It  
is reprinted here at 2/6. I have several copies. It  
is very interesting.

Tell Lizzie, with my love, that I greatly admire  
her proper spirit in not going to the review. Had I  
been in Paris, I am afraid I could not have withstood  
the fireworks. I am much pleased with the conduct  
of the General, Cyprien &c who refuse to take the  
oath to that poor creature the President. - Mr.  
Schuler has asked Kate Parkes to translate  
into English the work he is writing, - an honour  
which she naturally declined. I gave Mr. L. an  
introduction to Mr. Pugh. I shall hope to see him in  
London next week. Mr. Pugh has promised to  
visit us. We were expecting Mrs. Webb with a sick  
daughter, but they have gone to the sea side for the  
required change. - The Porters fell in with  
me - at a flower show in London: I must find  
her out when I go. - I am going to send Mr.  
May the amusing book "Deism" alluded to



by Mrs Webb in his pamphlet

Now is my quiet friend & playmate Annie  
My Care to her; I want to know what she is doing &  
thinking about? If I can be of any use to you

in London during the week following Sunday May  
31<sup>st</sup> a letter will find me at 22 Cecil Street, Strand  
(Cecil)

With affectionate regards for Mrs Chapman &  
yourself. I am, my dear Miss Weston

Ever sincerely Yours

J. B. Collier

I imagine Mr. Pollen's complaint is supposed  
to be "intussusception": this is a slipping in of  
a <sup>small</sup> portion of the upper part of the intestine, within  
the ~~lower~~ a portion of the lower, as might be  
shown with the finger of a plane, - the end of it  
disabling a little within the part below. - The  
disease is one of uncertain detection, & can  
only be certainly ascertained decidedly,  
after death.